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Date: October 29, 2002

Title: REINFORCED FOAM BACKED CARPET

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Washington, DC 20231

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

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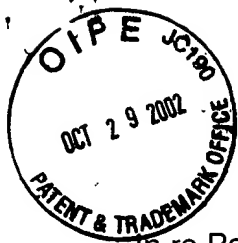
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AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Official Action dated October 3, 2002, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the following amended claim(s) for corresponding claim(s)
previously presented. A copy of the amended claim(s) showing current revisions is
attached.

13. (Amended) A carpet tile comprising:

a primary backing having carpet fiber bundles tufted therethrough, the fibers
bundles providing a tufted face;

a precoat locking the tufts in place to prevent easy extraction of individual fibers
and providing a relatively smooth back face opposite the tufted face;

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